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RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment

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Sir:

This is submitted in response to the Official Action dated July 15, 2005.

We acknowledge the restriction of the Application into Group I, including Claims 1 - 28, and Group II, including Claims 29 - 36.

We hereby elect Group I, including Claims 1 - 28, without traverse. We further elect the following Species: a specific antibody of a platelet antigen (1) with respect to Claim 9, and lectins (1) with respect to Claim 14.

Respectfully submitted,

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